Introduced by Assembly Member Brownley

February 4, 2009

An act relating to public education facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 220, as introduced, Brownley. Public education facilities: Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2009. Existing law, the California Constitution, prohibits the Legislature from creating a debt or liability that singly or in the aggregate with any previous debts or liabilities exceeds the sum of \$300,000, except by an act that (a) authorizes the debt for a single object or work specified in the act, (b) has been passed by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of all the members elected to each house of the Legislature, (c) has been submitted to the people at a statewide general or primary election, and (d) has received a majority of all the votes cast for and against it at that election.

The Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 requires the State Allocation Board to allocate to applicant school districts, prescribed per-unhoused-pupil state funding for construction and modernization of school facilities, including hardship funding, and supplemental funding for site development and acquisition.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would create a Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2009, to become operative only if approved by the voters at the November 3, 2009, statewide general election, and to provide for the submission of that act to the voters at that election. The bill also would state that it is the intent of the Legislature that such a bond act, if approved by the voters at that election, would provide for the issuance

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of an unspecified amount of state general obligation bonds to provide aid to school districts, county superintendents of schools, county boards of education, the California Community Colleges, the University of California, the Hastings College of the Law, and the California State University to construct and modernize education facilities.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would create a Kindergarten-University Public
- 3 Education Facilities Bond Act of 2009, to become operative only
- 4 if approved by the voters at the November 3, 2009, statewide
- 5 general election, and to provide for the submission of the bond act
- 6 to the voters at that election. It is also the intent of the Legislature
- 7 that such a bond act, if approved by the voters at that election,
- 8 would provide for the issuance of ____ (\$____) of state general
- 9 obligation bonds to provide aid to school districts, county
- 10 superintendents of schools, county boards of education, the
- 11 California Community Colleges, the University of California, the
- 12 Hastings College of the Law, and the California State University
- 13 to construct and modernize education facilities.